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EXAMINATION OF CONTENT

- 25X1X 1. [REDACTED] six divisions (two corps) of fresh Russian tank and artillery troops passed through Dobric enroute to the Bulgarian-Turkish border. These are in addition to the three divisions said to have passed through that point [REDACTED] "Russian Troop Movements", [REDACTED]
- 25X1X 2. The troops in question came from Rumania and crossed the Danube on the Cerna Voda bridge. After leaving Dobric they passed through Aitos, Yambol, and Elhovo. The route which they took is along a new "first class" road. Some of them went through Sliven, Harmanli, and Svilengrad.
- 25X1X 3. The divisions in question numbered approximately 10,000 men each. It was estimated that a total of seventy-five thousand men were in the movement. Three were tank divisions and the others were motorized infantry. There were a number of new and large "katushkas" and some six-wheeled trucks. The tanks were "very large and of the Russian type. Thirty tanks passed a given point in Dobric within an hour."
- 25X1X 4. Three Russian Lieutenant Generals and four Major Generals were observed in Dobric at the time. The troops were fresh and definitely not from Germany.
- 25X1X 5. [REDACTED] munitions trains had been seen going through the town at approximately the same time and that these trains came from the direction of Kardam. No other supplies were observed being sent to the army. However, letters from Sliven write that a food shortage has developed in that area because the Russians have taken so much food.

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